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SUBJECT: NEWS ARTICLES

1. FOLLOWING IS JULY 6-8 SUMMARY OF NEWS ARTICLES OF INTEREST.

2. NY POST FEATURE PAGE JULY 7 BROKE STORY ON PROPOSED TV PROGRAM FEATURING AMB YOUNG. WASH POST FOLLOWED WITH FRONT PAGE STORY BY DAVID BRODER, WHO WROTE ABOUT FAVORABLE REACTION BY JODY POWELL AND HODDING CARTER. WIRE SERVICES PICKED IT UP. MOST COVERAGE HAS TAKEN NOTE OF ADLAI STEVENSON PRECEDENT, AND REPORTED THAT PROGRAM WOULD FEATURE VARIETY OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS.

3. NY TIMES JULY 8 REPORTS "CARTER ADMINISTRATION, IN ITS FIRST COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF GLOBAL POWER RELATIONSHIPS, HAS FOUND THE U.S. AND SOVIET UNION IN ROUGH STRATEGIC BALANCE AND SEES FUTURE TRENDS AS MORE FAVORABLE AND LESS OMINOUS THAN THE FORD ADMINISTRATION THOUGHT." TIMES SAYS "THE EXHAUSTIVE FIVE-MONTH INTERAGENCY STUDY WAS PUT BEFORE A CABINET-LEVEL GROUP...FOR APPROVAL AND DISCUSSION BEFORE GOING TO PRESIDENT CARTER LATER THIS MONTH."

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4. MURRAY KEMPTON IN JULY 7 NY POST CHASTIZES U.S. FOR GUARDIANSHIP OF MICRONESIA: "ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO GRANDER ANTAGONISTS IN THE UN SEEMS TO BE THAT THE U.S. IS CONCERNED WITH HUMAN RIGHTS EVERYWHERE EXCEPT IN MICRONESIA AND THE SOVIET UNION IS CONCERNED WITH

HUMAN RIGHTS PRETTY MUCH NOWHERE EXCEPT IN MICRONESIA."

5. JUNE GOODWIN IN CSMONITOR REPORTS JULY 7 FROM JOHANNESBURG THAT "DETENTIONS OF BLACKS ARE CONTINUING IN SOUTH AFRICA," AND EMPHASIZED JULY 4 ARRESTS OF THREE MOVEMENT LEADERS UNDER BANNING ORDERS -- STEVE BIKO, DR. MAPHELA RAMPHELE, MISS TANJIWE MINTSO -- FOR ALLEGEDLY COMMUNICATING WITH EACH OTHER.

6. C.L. SULZBERGER JULY 6 IN NYTIMES FROM JERUSALEM:
"BOTH ISRAEL AND GREECE TYPIFY A GRADUALLY DEVELOPING TREND IN FOREIGN POLICY RELATIONSHIPS BY PLAINLY RELYING ALMOST AS MUCH ON THE SUCCESS WITH WHICH THEY ADDRESS THEMSELVES TO THE U.S. CONGRESS AS ON THAT WITH WHICH THEY HOPE TO CONVINCE THE U.S. PRESIDENT." THEY ARE "THE TWO FOREIGN LANDS MOST SHREWDLY INTENT ON PERSUADING THE AMERICA CONGRESS THAT IF THE EXECUTIVE DOESN'T HELP OUT, THE LEGISLATURE SHOULD CORRECT THE ERROR."
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